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For: USE OF A MIXTURE FOR THE
PRODUCTION OF AN AGENT FOR
TREATING DEFECTIVE OR
DEGENERATED CARTILAGE IN
THE PRODUCTION OF NATURAL
CARTILAGE REPLACEMENT *IN*
VITRO

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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, and in accordance with Rule 115 of the Rules of Practice, please enter the following amendments and consider the remarks below.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.